



# MONTANA FISH AND WILDLIFE COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

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**Meeting Date:** October 17, 2019

**Agenda Item:** Repeal of Administrative Rule 12.6.301 Tagging of Carcasses of Game Animals

**Action Needed:** Final

**Time Needed on Agenda for this Presentation:** 10 minutes

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## **Background:**

The commission proposed to repeal the rule as the penalty language of the rule is outdated and unnecessary. In addition, the requirement that tags on animals must be visible is not entirely clear as tags are often not immediately visible due to the tape used to affix the tags and the position of the animal. Further, the rule will not be applicable when the use of electronic tagging begins.

## **Public Involvement Process & Results:**

The commission held a 28-day written public comment period. No comments were received.

## **Alternatives and Analysis:**

The commission could choose not to repeal the administrative rule which would result in the rule language staying the same.

## **Agency Recommendation and Rationale:**

The department recommends the commission repeal the rule as the rule is outdated and unnecessary.

## **Proposed Motion:**

I move the Fish and Wildlife Commission repeal Administrative Rule 12.6.301 pertaining to tagging of carcasses of game animals.